

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The Ask-A-Nurse program at Avera began in 1990 to provide 24-hour, confidential, high-quality, credible health care information to people in the region and will celebrate its 20th Anniversary on August 3, 2010; and,

Whereas, Ask-A-Nurse is staffed by registered nurses and health care professionals who answer health care questions, provide assistance to individuals seeking a physician, and make referrals to hospital and community services; and,

Whereas, Ask-A-Nurse supports Avera's commitment to rural health and its mission to make a positive impact in the lives and health of persons and communities by providing quality service guided by Christian values; and,

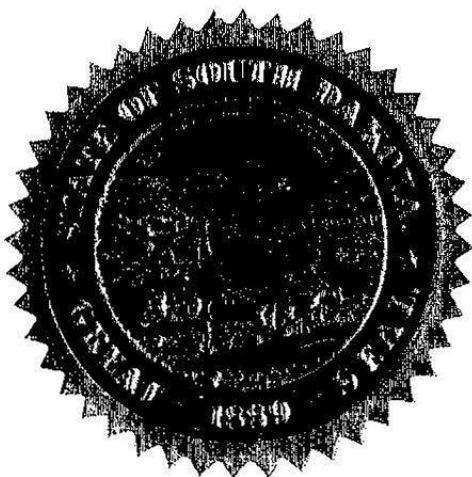
Whereas, Ask-A-Nurse has answered over 1 million calls through out its 20 years of service; and,

Whereas, The Ask-A-Nurse staff is to be honored and recognized for the many contributions this dedicated group of health care professionals make to the health and well-being of the people in the communities they serve:


Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 3, 2010, as

ASK-A-NURSE DAY


in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-seventh Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State